

House Resolution No. 4456

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens; and

Whereas, the members now pause to recognize Chaplin Maj. Patrick Beck, of Corpus Christi, Texas, who currently is stationed at Whiteman Air Force Base, has been recently reassigned for two years in England, and is the proud and honored recipient of the Whiteman Spirit Award; and

Whereas, Chaplin Maj. Patrick Beck is with the 509th Bomb Wing and with the Spirit of Missouri Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America; and

Whereas, a member of the Army Reserves for more than three years and the active duty Air Force for seventeen years, Chaplin Maj. Patrick Beck has served as the only priest on staff at Whiteman Air Force Base for the past two and one-half years; and

Whereas, Chaplin Maj. Patrick Beck was nominated for the Spirit Award by Retired Colonel John Riffle, the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) Spirit Chapter President, noting that as Chapter Chaplin, Chaplin Maj. Patrick Beck has given superior service to the MOAA during the last year; and

Whereas, as an outstanding ambassador for the 509th Bomb Wing, Chaplin Maj. Patrick Beck made many efforts and contributions to the welfare of the personnel at Whiteman as well as the civilian community; and

Whereas, whenever possible, members of the Spirit of Missouri Chapter of MOAA add a personal touch to the assistance they provide military families through the Helping Others Outreach Program, which Col. Riffle helped to launch in October 2005; and

Whereas, since the formation of the Outreach Program, Chapter members have continue to seek and find opportunities to help military families:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our sincerest congratulations to Chaplin Maj. Patrick Beck on the occasion of his being honored with the Whiteman Spirit Award and our best wishes to him in his new assignment in England; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Chaplin Maj. Patrick Beck, as a measure of our esteem.

Offered by _____
Representative Luke Scavuzzo
District No. 124

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 4456, adopted August 15, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker